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## WHO Expert Committee on Problems Related to Alcohol Consumption

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### Agenda

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING
  2. PROCEDURAL MATTERS
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  4. ALCOHOL AS A PSYCHOACTIVE AND DEPENDENCE-PRODUCING AGENT
    - 4.1 Toxicity
    - 4.2 Dependence liability
    - 4.3 Impact of alcohol on health
  5. ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION IN THE WORLD
    - 5.1 Alcohol availability and consumption in a global perspective
    - 5.2 Distribution of consumption in populations
    - 5.3 Trends in levels, patterns and context of alcohol consumption
    - 5.4 Recorded and unrecorded alcohol consumption
    - 5.5 Alcohol and other psychoactive substance use
  6. PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEMS RELATED TO ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION
    - 6.1 Range and extent of public health problems related to alcohol consumption
    - 6.2 Disease burden attributable to alcohol worldwide
    - 6.3 Social and economic impact of alcohol consumption
    - 6.4 Poverty, development and health disparities
  7. EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES AND INTERVENTIONS TO REDUCE ALCOHOL-RELATED HARM
    - 7.1 Regulating availability of alcohol
    - 7.2 Demand reduction
    - 7.3 Harm reduction
    - 7.4 Effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of alcohol strategies and interventions
    - 7.5 Comprehensive policies
  8. ALCOHOL POLICY DEVELOPMENT
    - 8.1 Building a knowledge base for policy development
    - 8.2 Policy at local, national and international levels
    - 8.3 Research priorities
  9. IMPLICATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL ACTION
    - 9.1 International aspects of alcohol control
    - 9.2 Role of WHO
    - 9.3 Collaboration between international bodies
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